

**REMARKS****RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT:**

In response to the restriction requirement to one of the inventions of:

claims 1-11 and 27 to a recording medium;  
claims 12-18 and 28 to a method of recording; and  
claims 19-26 and 29 to a reproducing apparatus;  
applicant elects to prosecute the invention of claims 1-11 and 27 at this time, with traverse.

Applicant hereby traverses the restriction requirement because a search for the invention of the elected invention will be sufficient for examination of all the inventions of the applications and thus, there is no serious burden on the examiner to examine all the claims in the application. The examiner should withdraw the restriction requirement.

**ELECTION OF SPECIES:**

In response to the requirement for election of species, between:

a first species (shown in figures 1-2 and 3-4); and  
a second species (shown in figures 1-2 and 3-4)  
for prosecution at this time, applicant hereby elects the first species (shown in figures 1-2 and 3-4), with traverse. Claims 1-9, 12-16, 18-25 and 27-29 read on the first species. Claims 1-8, 12-15, 18-24 and 27-29 are all generic to all the species. Applicant respectfully reminds the examiner, that if any of the generic claims are allowed then claims to all the species must be examined in this case.

Applicant hereby traverses the requirement for an election of species because there are a reasonable number of species and a search for the invention of the elected species will be sufficient

for examination of all the species and thus, there is no serious burden on the examiner to examine all the claims in the application. The examiner should withdraw the requirement for an election of species.

The claims are definite and distinguished from the citations and Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the restriction requirement, reconsideration of the requirement for election of species, and the allowance of all the claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any fee (except the issue fee) including fees for any required extension of time, to Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

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